

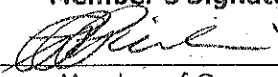
**House Committee on Armed Services
FY10 Member Request Form**

Requestor Information

Member: Bordallo, Madeleine, gu00
Pierluisi, Pedro, pr00

Staff Contact: John Laufer

Member's Signature


Member of Congress

Project Information

Name of Project: Expansion of geographical coverage of TRICARE Prime to include Puerto Rico and Guam

Project Description: To amend title 10, United States Code, to expand the geographical coverage of TRICARE Prime to include Puerto Rico and Guam.

The range of military health care services available to retired military service members and their dependents in Puerto Rico and Guam is less than the range of options available to retired military service members and their dependents in the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

For retired service members residing in Puerto Rico and Guam who are not eligible for Medicare, the only TRICARE medical program option available to them and their dependents is TOP Standard. TOP Standard is similar to the stateside TRICARE Standard program, including cost-shares and deductibles.

Access to Tricare Prime for stateside military retirees is limited to "Prime Service Areas" (PSAs), which are geographic regions that are centered around military medical facilities and that have sizable retiree populations.

49 of the 50 states have at least one PSA and many states have multiple PSAs.

Although residents of Puerto Rico and Guam have long served with honor and distinction in the Armed Forces of the United States, neither US territory contains a single PSA.


☐ Check this box if this request includes an attachment with additional project description information

Name of Intended Recipient: N/A

City: N/A

State: PR


Intended Location of Performance: Puerto Rico and Guam

(continued) Initial: 

Funding Information

FY10 Funding in PB (in thousands of dollars): \$0.0

Your Requested Net Change to the FY10 PB (+/-/0): \$0.0

Check the box and Initial on the line: ☒ Neither my spouse, if applicable, nor I have a financial interest in this request.  (Initial here)

Funding Specifics

Service/Agency/Policy: Policy - Bill or Report Language

Budget Appropriation:

Identification (as appropriate):

Requires Direct Spending: No

Bill and/or Report Language: See attachment for proposed bill language

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(Original Signature of Member)

111TH CONGRESS
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H. R. _____

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. PIERLUISI introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To amend title 10, United States Code, to expand the geographical coverage of TRICARE Prime to include Puerto Rico and Guam.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. EXPANSION OF TRICARE PRIME GEO-**
4 **GRAPHICAL COVERAGE.**

5 Section 1097(b)(3) of title 10, United States Code,
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 “(3) total health care services, including the
8 managed care option of the TRICARE program, for

1 all covered beneficiaries who reside in geographical
2 areas designated by the Secretary within the several
3 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and
4 Guam.”.